

## RUSSIA ISSUES WARNING

Notifies Powers that Uprising in China is Feared.

### THINK SITUATION SERIOUS.

Should Chinese Troops Make Hostile Move Czar's Troops Will Cross Liao River.

Russia's formal notification to the powers of imminent danger of a general uprising in China as a result of the Japanese in China, will threaten all interests, coupled with general protest against China's repeated violation of neutrality in connection with Japanese operations, is really a warning to the powers that Russia regards the situation as extremely serious and considers that the time has come for joint action by the powers for the protection of their own interests. For herself Russia considers that Japan has broken the pledge she made with respect to Secretary Hay's note at the beginning of the war, and further persistence in this course will, she considers, involve her from further observance and leave her free to act for her own protection.

The present note followed the preliminary warning addressed to the powers, one in October and the other in November, "neither of which was heeded." It has an entirely different ring, setting forth breaches of Chinese neutrality, including the Ryukyuu case and also the use of the Miaoao islands, belonging to China, as a base for the Japanese fleet; the constant dispatch of contraband from various Chinese ports, the employment of Chinese soldiers in the Japanese army and the hiring of Chinese bandits to attack Russian consular agents. Should Gen. Ma or any Chinese troops now move Russia will feel free herself to cross the Liao river into the neutral zone. As for the powers, Russia believes the situation has become serious owing to the stimulus given anti-foreign agitation in China by the fall of Port Arthur. In diplomatic circles great importance is attached to the note, and in the general opinion it is designed to induce Secretary Hay to initiate steps to bring joint action to bear in order to prevent the extension of the zone of activities.

### ORDERS 4,000 STEEL CARS.

Will Be New Equipment and Not Renewals of Old Cars.

It was announced at the general offices of the Pennsylvania railroad that the company had placed an order for 4,000 steel cars with the Cambria Steel company and Standard Car company for delivery in February and March, 1905. The order entails an expenditure of \$4,500,000. There will be 1,500 all-steel self-loading hopper cars, 1,500 drop bottom cars and 1,000 straight gondola cars. This order is the largest ever placed by the Pennsylvania railroad and is made in anticipation of an enormous traffic during the coming year. The order is all additional equipment, and no renewals of old cars.

### MODIFY INAUGURAL PROGRAM.

No Sunday Concerts and Parade Formation Will Be Smaller.

The inauguration committee decided that there shall be no Sunday concert at the penita office building, following the inaugural ceremony and that three concerts will be given Monday, March 6.

It was stated that the number of troops and civic organizations, combined, in the inaugural parade would approximate not more than two-thirds of the number four years ago, that all the organizations would be in closer formation, permitting the parade to pass within three hours instead of six hours, as was the case four years ago.

### Plunder of Japanese.

Gen. Nogi reports that the Japanese captured at Port Arthur 546 guns, 22,670 shells, 30,000 kilos of powder and 2,228,500 rounds of rifle ammunition.

### TAYLOR'S GRAVE NEGLECTED.

Relatives Will Repair it in Case the Government Will Not.

J. J. Taylor of Chicago, a relative of President Zachary Taylor, has arrived in Louisville to investigate the condition of the grave of his distinguished relative. The grave is at St. Matthews near Louisville.

It is the intention of Mr. Taylor's family, in the event of the refusal of the government to repair the grave, to expend a sum of money sufficient to put it in a condition befitting the last resting place of a president of the United States.

### Five Dead in Wreck.

A Santa Fe passenger train collided head-on with a freight train near Raton, N. M. The known dead are A. M. Cochran, fireman, of Raton, N. M.; O. Greenberger of Raton; Philip Frimenseh of Chicago, barber on express car. A late report from Raton states that five persons were killed, but no additional names were given. A negro waiter is reported missing, and several tramps who were stealing rides on both the limited and freight, may have been killed.

### Russia Issues Circular.

The Russian government has issued a circular to the powers, calling their attention to alleged violation of Chinese neutrality, and citing numerous instances during the past year. The East tending to protest that China is unable to fulfill her obligations. This state of affairs, the circular says, is calculated to bring the country into perilous paths, and it concludes by saying that Russia claims the right to act in her own interests.

## YELLOW FEVER IS BANISHED.

Cuban Health Official Praises Americans for Their Success.

The feature of the formal opening of the annual meeting of the American Public Health association in Havana, was the address of President Dr. Carlos Finlay, the yellow fever expert, and chief of the Cuban health department. Dr. Finlay paid a tribute to the accomplishments and sacrifices of American experts, who have banished yellow fever.

### CHADWICK DIAMONDS FOUND.

Customs Officers Get on the Track of Sparklers That Dodged Duties.

Officials of the customs department have succeeded in finding more than \$50,000 worth of imported diamonds and jewels owned by Mrs. Chadwick on which it is declared no duty was paid. Most of these valuables, it is stated, are held in Cleveland as security for loans.

### BOILER BLOWS UP.

Engineer and Fireman Killed and Cab Passenger Injured.

The boiler of a locomotive of the coast bound express on the Erie blew up while standing at the Creston station. Frederick Keller, the engineer, of Gallon, O., and Fireman Halfick, of Gallon, were killed and Joseph Newman of Elmira, N. Y., was probably killed.

The cause of the explosion is not known. Aside from the engine, which was completely demolished, none of the equipment was damaged. Traffic was blocked for four hours.

### Mrs. Clark's Jewels Found.

Buried in a glass jar in West One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, near Central avenue, New York, detectives have found more than \$25,000 worth of jewelry, the property of Mrs. Andrew Clark, daughter-in-law of Mrs. Potter, wife of Bishop Henry C. Potter, which were stolen from the Clark home on July 7, 1904. Lodged in a cell at police headquarters is William Coleman, most of whose 49 years of life have been spent in penal institutions. Last week detectives saw Coleman go to a truck wall in West One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, where he began digging in the snow. The detectives went to the place, where they discovered the jewels. Coleman was arrested today, near the spot where the treasure was hidden.

### WASHINGTON NOTES.

Senator Teller introduced an amendment to the Statehood bill providing for the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one State and New Mexico as another. This amendment would leave Arizona a territory.

The resolution granting temporary occupancy of a portion of the Washington Monument lot for an American railway appliances exhibition in connection with the meeting of the International Railway Congress was passed by the House.

As the result of the investigation and prosecution of the land fraud cases in Oregon, the President signed an order suspending from office James H. Booth and Joseph T. Bridges, respectively register and receiver of the United States land office at Rosburg, Ore.

The Senate in executive session confirmed the following nominations: Samuel S. Knabenshue, Ohio, Consul at Belfast, Ireland; Postmasters, Pennsylvania—Coleman Smith, Condron; West Virginia—Benjamin O. Holland, Logan; Nathan C. McNeil, Marlinton.

Brazil has finally determined to elevate her legation at Washington to an embassy, and will send her Minister at London, Mr. Nabuco, as her first Ambassador to this country.

The senate confirmed the following nominations: John B. Robinson, marshal for the Eastern district of Pennsylvania; Robert W. Taylor, district judge Northern district of Ohio.

Surrogate Edgar Jackson appointed Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of President Theodore Roosevelt, guardian of her children, Kermit and Ethel C., in connection with the legacy of \$5,000 left to each of them in the will of James King Grace of Oyster Bay.

Senator Smoot's friends in the Utah Legislature have succeeded in nominating George Suberland, another Mormon and a son-in-law of the famous John D. Lee, who was elected for the Mountain Meadow massacre, to succeed Senator Kearns in the United States Senate.

### Wants Tariff Revised.

President Roosevelt favors the earliest possible action looking to a revision by Congress of the tariff. He so informed the Senators and Representatives who were in conference with him at the White House last Saturday, and he has made plain his position to others since that conference. He will call the Fifty-ninth Congress into extraordinary session as soon as the committee have indicated that they are prepared to submit a tariff measure for passage.

### Exposition Has Surplus.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company has a surplus of \$995,000 and \$350,000 due from a wrecking company. Out of these sums post exposition expenses will be paid, and it is expected a small surplus will be left to divide among the stockholders.

With bowed heads, Port Arthur's shattered garrison marches out of the captured fortress on its way to Japanese prisons.

## BEEF TRUST ARRIGNED

Arguments of Attorney General Before Supreme Court.

### CALLED CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY.

No Competition Can Long Endure Against Those Who Secretly Hold Monopoly.

Attorney General W. H. Moody re-announced his argument on behalf of the government before the Supreme court of the United States in the case of Swift & Co. vs. the United States, commonly known as the beef trust case. Mr. Moody said none of the arguments or acts complained of relate to manufacture or production, but to commerce. They do not accomplish a feat of property interests, he said, but are on the contrary simply agreements between strangers to each other's business, affecting their freedom of action in certain respects.

After charging that an agreement existed governing the purchase of cattle, Mr. Moody said:

"It appears that the defendants have combined and conspired arbitrarily to raise, lower and fix prices of fresh meat and to keep them uniform as among themselves. This conspiracy is rendered effective by periodical secret meetings throughout the country by the agents and attorneys of the defendants. At these meetings uniform prices are agreed upon, due notice is given of the prices so agreed upon, and the defendants adhere to the prices thus fixed. That such an agreement relates to and restrains commerce according to the well settled rule of this court is so plain that I cannot permit myself to argue it. The only possible question that ought to be noticed is whether the combination which it restrains is commerce among the States and therefore within the power of Congress and the purpose view of the act."

"The offense is complete when the combination is made. The combination is not cured of its vice, if, perchance, some agent sees fit to divide the carcasses before they are sold. Controlling 60 per cent of the fresh meat industry of the whole country, they sit down at their slaughtering and packing establishments, and with the aid of the telegraph, through the instrumentality of countless agents and attorneys spread throughout the country, clothing their transactions and sheltering their misconduct by ciphers and secret codes, lower or raise, and when thus lowered or raised, fix, and maintain absolutely as among themselves, the price of every pound of one of the great necessities of life, as it enters and follows the channels of interstate commerce. This is an unlawful restraint of commerce among the States."

"No competition can long endure against those who are secretly and in defiance of the law enjoying rates for the transportation of their property in interstate commerce which constitute a preference over all others in the same business. No more fruitful source of monopoly can be found than the enjoyment of preferential rates. The history of the country demonstrates this."

### PREPARING FOR WAR.

Shipments of Arms and Ammunition Made to Salonica.

The active preparations already reported to have been made both in Turkey and Bulgaria for a possible war this year are fully confirmed by a private letter received in London from a minister accredited to the Balkan courts. This minister, who has just completed a tour of the Balkan capitals, writes that the Turkish and Bulgarian governments are energetically preparing for eventualities. Large shipments of arms and ammunition have been made and recruits from Asia Minor are arriving at Salonica weekly for service in the Greek army. The Bulgarian and Greek bands in Macedonia are increasing daily and are fighting each other and the Turks. This three-cornered guerrilla warfare threatens to assume the bloodiest phase in the spring.

### INSURED FOR \$2,000,000.

Redman Wanamaker Carries Largest Life Policy.

By taking out an extra policy of \$1,200,000, Redman Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, now carries more life insurance than any other person in the world. He carried \$800,000 previously, so that the Mutual Life stands to pay \$2,000,000 to his heirs at his death.

Until Mr. Wanamaker took out the new insurance the largest policy carried by an individual in one company was one for \$1,500,000, issued last April by the Mutual Life to James C. Colgate.

### Thinks He Has Divine Call.

Count Puckler, Germany's most noted Jew-hater, was sentenced in one of the courts of Berlin to six months in jail for public incitement to disobedience of laws and violence of one class against another. Count Puckler informed the court that he had a special mission from God to lead an anti-Jewish propaganda.

The Russian budget calls for an expenditure of over a billion dollars in 1905.

### Taft to Visit Philippines.

If the business of the war department will justify it, Secretary Taft will make an official visit of inspection to the Philippine islands in the coming summer, probably starting from San Francisco for Manila early in July.

The supreme court of appeals refused a writ of error in the case of Mayor McCue of Charlottesville, Va., convicted of wife murder and sentenced to hang January 20.

## VESSEL IS BLOWN UP.

Survivors Tell of Thrilling Experience in Mid-Ocean.

Seven survivors of the ill-fated Norwegian ship Marpesia, which was wrecked at sea on Christmas day by an explosion of naphtha, resulting in the death of 11 members of her crew, arrived in New York on the steamer Trinidad from Bermuda.

They had been rescued by the Danish steamer Gallia, which happened by just at the moment when the Marpesia was blown into a shapeless mass, and the seven men who survived the shock were taken from the sea where they had sought the only refuge that remained to them, after the explosion. They were landed at Bermuda by the Gallia.

The Marpesia sailed from New York for Citta, France, on December 9, with a cargo of naphtha. One gale succeeded another, and soon the cases of naphtha began to wash back and forth and in a little while the froed naphtha was floating around on top of the water in the hold.

Gas from the fluid accumulated steadily, and by Christmas day, the Marpesia was a loaded bomb. Suddenly there came a terrific report, the forward deck shot up into the air with a crash and a roar, and in a moment the entire ship was wrapped in flames.

These of the 18 men on board, who had not been caught in the first burst, threw themselves over the side of the flaming ship into the sea.

### BULLION SOLD FOR LEAD.

Trio Arrested for Theft of Silver Consigned to Mint.

In the arrest and confession of William Burroughs, George Rodgers and William Majors, the police of East St. Louis, have cleared up the mystery surrounding the robbery of a bonded car in the railroad yards here, of \$24,800 worth of silver bullion consigned from El Paso to the United States mint at Philadelphia, more than a month ago. The men are teamsters. Part of the bullion was recovered the day after the theft, but the remainder is now supposed to have been used in a lead foundry, having been sold at one cent a pound, in mistake for the base metal. Felberbaum, a junk dealer in St. Louis, had been arrested, charged with receiving stolen property. Efforts are now being made to trace the bullion which Felberbaum asserts he handled for lead.

### TON OF DYNAMITE LETS GO.

Every Building in Town Damaged by Explosion.

Nearly every window in the borough of Christiansa, Pa., was broken by the explosion of 2,000 pounds of dynamite.

Forty boxes had been packed around steam pipes to be hauled out for use in railroad construction. When the explosion occurred, no one was near, and as far as can be ascertained, no one was injured. The walls of the Christiansa Machine Company's building were blown in. Every residence and store throughout the town were more or less damaged. The green houses of William Brinton are demolished.

### FIFTY PERISH IN STORM.

Frozen to Death While in the Discharge of Their Duty.

More than 50 persons were frozen to death in the provinces of East Prussia, West Prussia and Posen during the recent cold period including two letter carriers, the driver of a post wagon, a policeman and 15 fishermen. Nothing has been heard of the lightship stationed off Borkum reef, Hansa, which broke away from her anchorage Friday night during a terrific storm and went adrift. The government has sent out a steamer to search for the missing vessel. The lightship has a crew of 11 persons.

### Nogi and Stoessel Decorated.

Emperor William has conferred on Gen. Stoessel and Gen. Nogi the order of "Pour le Merite" in recognition of the bravery of themselves and their troops at Port Arthur. His majesty has also decorated the Russian and Japanese Emperors to authorize Gen. Stoessel and Nogi to accept the decorations.

### ACTRESS DIES A PAUPER.

Ellen Cummings Had Supported Booth, Barrett, McCullough.

Ellen Cummings, at one time leading woman for Edwin Booth, Lawrence Barrett, John McCullough and other great actors, died a pauper in a cheap Kearney street lodging house at San Francisco.

For the past ten years Miss Cummings has played character parts when her health permitted, having been with Mansfield, Blanche Bates and other well-known artists in that capacity. She went on the stage in San Francisco 35 years ago in the palm days of the old California and Bush street theaters. The plans of the city gave her a suitable burial.

### The Anthracite Fatalities.

From official information furnished by the mine inspectors of the four anthracite districts scattered throughout the Wyoming valley it is shown that in all 527 men and boys were killed or injured in and about the mines during the year 1904. There were 199 fatal and 328 non-fatal accidents in the four districts, leaving 199 women as widows and 212 children orphans.

### Only \$50,000,000.

Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company decided to ask the shareholders at their annual meeting March 4 to consider an increase in bonded indebtedness, believed to be more than \$50,000,000.

Andrew Evans, died suddenly at Johnstown, Pa., from alcoholism. The coroner's investigation developed the fact that Evans had drunk two quarts of whisky and considerable beer shortly before death.

## DEFENSE OF MORMONISM

Former Senator from Idaho Commends Some Features.

### NEITHER DRINK NOR GAMBLE.

More Respect for Man Who Takes Plural Wives Than One Who Deserts Them.

Testimony intended to prove that the Mormon mode is of the highest type, and to refute the word of witnesses who have declared the contrary to be true, was offered by counsel for Senator Reed Smoot. W. J. McConnell, formerly a United States Senator from Idaho, and twice Governor of his State, and Representative Burton L. French, a member of the present Congress and re-elected for another term, were the day's witnesses.

It was the opening session of the defense in the Smoot investigation. Senator P. C. Knox, a new member of the committee, attended for the first time. There is a sentiment in the committee in favor of pressing the investigation to a conclusion.

Both witnesses to-day denied many statements directed against the Mormon church and its alleged interference in political affairs. Former Gov. McConnell said that the Gentile members of the Idaho Legislature have not as high morals as the Mormon members, and that if it were not for questions of geography and knowledge of legislative needs, the interests of the State would be better served by an entire Mormon Legislature.

The examination was conducted by Waldron Vanout, of Salt Lake, who is associated with A. S. Worthington, of Washington, as counsel for Senator Smoot. Mr. McConnell described his occupation as former merchant, half politician and lawyer for his friends. He was a Senator of the Fifty-first Congress, and was Governor of Idaho from 1893 to 1896, inclusive, serving two successive terms. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

The witness was asked to describe the political conditions. He said he had lobbied before the Legislature when the first effort was made to disfranchise the Mormons. He declared that he was prejudiced against Mormons, that he found that most of the Gentiles were practicing "the science, which in our country is called poker." He said he had never known Mormons to gamble and drink. He followed this testimony with a review of his acquaintance with Mormons during the agitation against the religion in Idaho. He assisted in bringing about the repeal of the test oath of citizenship and afterward went among the Mormons on a lecture tour. He had observed the people, he said, and their morals were of a high, praiseworthy character.

### PILLAGE AND MURDER.

Six Thousand Workmen in Revolt in Russian Oil Fields.

More than 6,000 workmen are in open revolt in the Baku petroleum district. Forty Cossacks have been killed in conflicts with the men and a hundred severely wounded. The Government authorities say they have been incited by Anarchists. It is given out that some of the men who struck for better pay and shorter hours have already returned to their tasks, while more will do so tomorrow.

Nevertheless, the reign of terror continues. The revolting workmen pillage and murder day and night and many of the more than 200 oil wells they set fire in their rage are still burning. The Government has been utterly unable to suppress the uprising, which has taken the widest, most unrestrained form ever known in Russia.

Thirty-two American owners of wells in the district are sufferers to a large amount. The damage already which will run up into millions, has been done to wells, warehouses, tanks and derricks.

### Charges Against Swayne.

The select committee of the House appointed to draft articles of impeachment against Federal Judge Swayne completed its work by the preparation of 12 articles of impeachment. They embrace obtaining money by false pretense, using the property of a bankrupt corporation in the hands of a receiver appointed by himself, and without making compensation to the company; for disobeying the law in requiring him to live in his district; for "unlawfully and maliciously fining and imprisoning E. T. Davis and Simon Balden, attorneys-at-law, for alleged contempt of the circuit court of the United States; for unlawfully committing to prison W. C. O'Neill on the charge that he had committed contempt of the district court of the United States."

### \$180,000,000 for Postoffices.

The House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads has completed the postoffice appropriation bill and will report it to the House next week. The approximate amount carried is \$180,000,000, which is \$10,000,000 greater than the current appropriation. An increase of \$5,000,000 is made for the rural free delivery service.

### More Land Frauds Devoled.

Colorado and South Dakota have been added to the list of States where there have been extensive land frauds and where the right investigation must be made by the Interior Department. There are now six States in which inquiries are being prosecuted—California, Colorado, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and South Dakota.

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## A HOPEFUL VIEW.

Greater Prosperity Promised Than Was Even Anticipated at Opening of New Year.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Erratic weather produces irregularity in retail distribution of merchandise at many points and Southern business is quiet because of the depression in cotton, but the general outlook is considered very bright. Manufacturers report that confidence is warranted by the number of new orders, while deliveries on old contracts are of satisfactory volume.

The best news comes from the iron and steel industry, while footwear factories are busy, woolen mills in exceptionally good condition, and activity is assured among cotton spinners as soon as the raw material market becomes settled. Failures for January thus far compare very favorably with last year's returns, railway earnings increased 5.8 per cent. over those of 1904, and foreign commerce at this port for the last week shows a gain of \$6,151,867 in imports and a loss of only \$981,933 in exports.

Although business is distributed somewhat irregularly owing to local conditions as to supply of fuel and other materials, the iron and steel industry is moving steadily forward. Speculation in pig iron production and consumption at the opening of the year testify to even greater prosperity than was anticipated. Nor is stability threatened by speculative inflation of prices as yet, although that is a danger that usually menaces any revival of industrial activity. Coke ovens in the Connellsville region are producing at maximum capacity and there is no handicap to progress in Pittsburgh, but storms and strikes still effect fuel supply at some other points. Railways are placing large contracts for all forms of equipment, and the demand for billboards and bars is so urgent that premiums above list prices are recorded on some transactions. Thus far the new year has not brought the anticipated demand for leather, but tanners are confident that the activity will not be long delayed. Prices are fairly steady.

Failures this week numbered 324 in the United States, against 324 last year, and 28 in Canada, compared with 24 a year ago.

### WRECK COUNTY SAFE.

Robbers Escape by Stealing a Horse and Sleigh.

Safe robbers wrecked the safe in the office of the Fulton County treasurer, Wausau, O., and secured \$5,000 of the county funds. The safe was blown to pieces by the dynamite. The treasurer had deposited \$200,000 tax money in the banks of the town, which accounted for so small a sum in the safe. The looters, four in number, stole a horse and sleigh and escaped.

### CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

Eugene V. Debs has planned to build a monster international labor union on a socialistic basis.

Both the coal miner and mine-owners throughout the Rhensish and West Phalian districts are preparing for a general strike.

John Blake, a plumber, of New Florence, Pa., was struck by a train east of the Blairsville intersection and was killed.

The College of the Jesuit Fathers at Clontarf, Cuba, has been destroyed by fire. Several firemen were injured. The loss is \$60,000. No insurance.

James A. Bailey, fourth owner of the Sells-Forrester show, bought the entire show at public sale for \$150,000. Nearly every showman in the country was present at the sale.

Four men were instantly killed and two others injured today at a shaft which is being sunk at Rockland, Mich., by the Victoria Mining Company.

The president sent to the senate the nomination of David E. Thompson of Nebraska, to be ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Brazil.

R. B. Vinson, said to be the son of a wealthy Baltimore (Md.) man, was killed at Rapid City, S. D. He was driving, when his team became frightened and ran away. Vinson was thrown out and dragged to death. Up to the time of his surrender, Gen. Stoessel believed Kuropatkin was only 20 miles distant from Port Arthur with a relief force.

Senator Penrose introduced a bill providing for the payment of the claims of New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware on account of advances and expenditures for the war with Great Britain from 1812 to 1815.

Requests by Richard Croker for an explanation by the Jockey club in London, England, as to why it interdicted the training of his horses at Newmarket have not been complied with.

Levi P. Merton, former vice president of the United States, and former governor of New York, is the giver of the \$600,000 contribution to the fund for the completion of the cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City.

### Two Senators Elected.

Frank P. Flint, Republican, of Los Angeles, Cal., was elected United States Senator to succeed Thomas R. Bard.

The General Assembly elected William B. Rife, to succeed himself as United States Senator from Tennessee. The Republican minority voted for Congressman W. P. Brownlow.

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## KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

WORRY CAUSES A WRECK.

Thinking of Invalid Wife, Telegrapher Forgets Train Order.

Harry Dunkelberger, telegraph operator at Welsh Station, near which place a fatal train wreck occurred, said he was thinking of his invalid wife and forgot an order to hold the southbound Pennsylvania railroad passenger train at the Scales until an unattached northbound locomotive arrived there. Consequently the locomotive met the passenger train, causing the death of two persons and the injury of a number of others.

With a bullet hole in the right temple and fastened to a tree by a rope, the body of a man supposed to be Col. M. Ream, aged 60, late of Brubaker, Lancaster county, was found floating in Wyoming creek, a mile south of Reading. On his chest was a revolver and in his pockets were letters that gave a clue to the identity. It is supposed he killed himself. Ream was formerly a promoter and insurance agent.

Clerk of Courts Charles Baker, of Washington, has secured options on 2,000 acres of coal at West Union, Greene county, the price being 190 an acre. Among those who have given options are James Dunn, 709 acres; Joseph Dunn, 220 acres; William H. Ely, 235 acres; Mrs. Lazar Day, 200 acres. This coal is on the line of the Wabash through Greene county.

Fire destroyed the big frame storehouse of the McKees Rocks plant of the Pressed Steel Car Company, causing a loss approximately of \$75,000 in stock and building, and also seriously interfering with the operations of the plant for the next few days. The blaze is believed to have been caused by the crossing of electric wires in the loft of the building.

A crusade has been started in Canonsburg and vicinity against the numerous alleged illegal liquor sellers. Two women were arrested charged with selling Hauer without a license and sent to jail to await trial. It is claimed that at Shupetown, a suburb of Canonsburg, numerous spratgeries exist, and as a result constant disorder prevails.

Chief of Police C. C. Horner began a crusade against gambling houses in New Castle, raiding several of them. Chief Horner announced that the work will be vigilantly prosecuted and Mayor Jackson says the owners of buildings who lease their properties for such purposes will also be prosecuted.

Upon a petition filed in Common Pleas court at Philadelphia by counsel for the United States Blueit company, a receiver was appointed for the Keebler-Weyl Baking company, Shuward Haggerty was named for the office and security fixed at \$200,000. The trade value of the company's assets is \$250,976.37, while its liabilities are fixed at \$251,465.04.

Emil Tatt, a Slav, lies in a dying condition at Adelphi. Emil Torrak, a fellow boarder, after a quarrel went upstairs and heated a poker. When Tatt went up latter he was met by Torrak, who plunged the redhot iron into him.

The Severs China Company of East Liverpool has purchased the pottery of the Derry China Company in West Derry. Orders have been issued to have the pottery started in full within 10 days, giving work to 300 people.

After attending the funeral of his brother, Warren Kerr, one of the best-known farmers of East Crawford County, was found dead in his bed. Apoplexy is supposed to have been the cause of death.